

Bee Cave Book Buzz April 2018

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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programs.

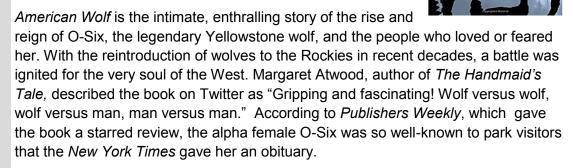


An Evening with the Author
Nate Blakeslee

Wednesday, April 11 7:00 p.m. Bee Cave Public Library

Our annual "One Book, One Community" program, **LAKE TRAVIS READS**, features Nate Blakeslee, author of *American Wolf: A True Story of Survival and Obsession in the West*. Blakeslee is a fascinating speaker, so please join us even if you haven't read the book! The event is free and open to the public.

Books will be available for purchase and signing. **LAKE TRAVIS READS** is co-sponsored by the libraries and Friends groups of Bee Cave, Lake Travis, and Spicewood.



Senior editor at *Texas Monthly* and winner of numerous awards, Blakeslee is also the author of *Tulia: Race, Cocaine, and Corruption in a Small Texas Town.*

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LOCAL AUTHOR FAIR at SPRINGFEST

Bee Cave Public Library is hosting our third annual **Local Author Fair** during **SpringFest** later this month. The annual Lake Travis Chamber of Commerce event takes place here at the Galleria on **Saturday, April 28, 2018**, from 11 am to 7 pm and includes vendor booths, a boat expo, a craft brewhaus, live music, a kid zone, and much more!



Look for our Local Author booth outside the library from 11 am to 5 pm and stop by to visit with our local authors. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Authors interested in participating should contact Terry Lewis at the library by April 6th. Email TLewis@beecavetexas.gov by April 6th.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Have you tried any of our <u>digital</u> resources yet?
We have e-books and audiobooks on <u>OverDrive</u>. Just download the app to your phone or other device, and get started today!



We also have a great selection of digital magazines. Read online or download an issue to your tablet or PC using RBdigital. Download the app today!



Need help getting started? Call us!



Our popular "What's for Lunch?" program meets the first Wednesday of each month from 12 - 1 p.m. for a different topic each month! No reservations required. Light lunch provided or bring your own. \$5 donations welcome.

Apr. 4 <u>Watercolors for Beginners</u> with Beatrice Baldwin

May 2 Wonders of the Westcave Preserve

"What's for Lunch?" goes on hiatus during the summer, and will return with more fun speakers in the fall.

Knitting Club

Thursday, April 5 7 - 8 p.m.

When the library closes, the yarn comes out! Enjoy a relaxed evening in the library with a community of friendly knitters and crocheters. Bring a project you're working on or start a new one with yarn from the communal basket! Every 1st Thursday.

Bee Cave Book Club

Thursday, April 12 7-8 p.m.

The Bee Cave Book Club is an informal and diverse group who come together every 2nd Thursday to discuss the group-selected fiction or nonfiction titles. During the hour members share laughter, ideas, and their love of books. New members are always welcome, even if you haven't read this month's selection. The April selection is *The Art of Hearing Heartbeats* by Jan-Philipp Sendker. In May we will discuss *The Big Sleep* by Raymond Chandler. Copies are available at the library in a variety of formats.





2 p.m.

Friends of the Library Meeting Wednesday, April 11 4:00 p.m.

The Friends of the Library meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month to discuss ways to support the library's mission through fundraising, volunteering, and advocacy. Consider joining the Friends and giving back to your library!

goDigital eReader Help By Appointment

Get help using <u>OverDrive</u> or <u>RBdigital</u> <u>Magazines</u> to get free books, audiobooks and magazines on your Kindle, Nook, iPad, tablet or smartphone. Make an appointment with our digital specialist, librarian Megan Fischer, for one-on-one personalized help by calling 512-767-6625 or emailing mfischer@beecavetexas.gov.

PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

Teen Advisory Board Saturday, April 7

Get volunteer hours by joining our Teen Advisory Board! Snacks, activities, brainstorming, and a chance to boss the library around - how many volunteer jobs offer that?

Grades 7-12 welcome.



Thank you to all our TAB teens who volunteered at Seuss on the Loose!



Baby Bumblebees Storytime

2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 10:30 & 11:15 a.m. Newborn age to Walking Stage

Babies, bring your grown-ups to enjoy stories, rhymes & songs as they learn engaging ways to prepare children for reading.

Toddler Tales Storytime

Fridays, 10:30 & 11:15 a.m. For ages 1 to 3 years

Join us at the library for 20-25 minutes of stories, songs, and movement every Friday at 10:30 or 11:15 a.m.

Preschool Pals Storytime

Thursdays, 10:30 & 11:15 a.m. For ages 3 to 5 years

Join us at the library for 20-30 minutes of stories, songs, and movement every Thursday at 10:30 or 11:15 a.m.

CHESS CLUB

Wednesday, April 18 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Meet fellow chess enthusiasts and learn new strategies. All young chess lovers welcome, from novices to advanced players.

Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month during the school year in Community Room A above the library.

Best for ages 6-12.

NEW: SATURDAY MORNING LIVE!

Saturday, April 21

10:30 a.m.

Join us for live music with children's performer **Hey Lolly,** crafts, and snacks. **All ages welcome.**



PROGRAMS FOR TWEENS

Bee-Tweens

Lego Challenge Saturday, April 14 2:00 p.m.

Build something that has to do with food...

Build a character or place from one of your favorite books...

Build a space vehicle...

What will your Lego challenge be? Come find out!

Open for tweens in grades 4-6.

Questions? Email Terry:

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Hours of Operation: Tues - Thurs 10 am - 7 pm Fri - Sat 10 am - 5 pm Closed Sunday & Monday

For photos and up-to-the-minute information on library programs, follow us!







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Photo courtesy of Ava Li

My Experiences at Bee Cave Public Library, by Sanddhya Jayabalan

I still remember walking into the Bee Cave Public Library with my mom on a chilly December evening. At this time I was in seventh grade, and I was in desperate need of service hours in order to fulfill my school's community service requirement. As they have always been to me, the librarians graciously offered me an opportunity to become a library volunteer, and I was extremely grateful. When I was signed up to become a library volunteer, I initially thought of it as a good way to take a break from schoolwork and be involved in my community, but I primarily thought of it as another checkbox I needed to complete to meet my school's service requirement. However, within the first few volunteer sessions, I had found a new, genuine passion for service. Community service became my way to thank my community for supporting

me in countless ways. It became something so much more than just an activity to attain hours; rather, I started to think of volunteering as an opportunity to temporarily detach myself from any worries and focus on those around me. Personally, there is nothing more gratifying than seeing the smile on someone's face when given a helping hand, and volunteering at the BCPL has given me this opportunity to fill my heart with joy. For this reason, I have continued being a volunteer at the BCPL since that cold December day in seventh grade, all the way up to the present day.

Over the five years of volunteering with the Bee Cave Library, I have seen it undergo many phases: new librarians, changes in floor plan, new programs, etc. One of these changes that has had a significant impact on me is when I joined the library's Teen Advisory Board (TAB) program, started by the amazing Ms. Cate. TAB is an open group for teens in the community to come together for monthly planning meetings with the aim of organizing monthly teen events at the library. I love attending our monthly TAB meetings, because every time, I get to see friends who came to previous meetings, but I also get the chance to meet new people. The best part about this is that, although we have similar interests in terms of our passion for literary material, we also have such diverse hobbies and passions, which makes our meetings a melting pot of ideas. It is really interesting to watch our discussions unfold, because Ms. Cate or one of the officers starts by proposing a question, such as ideas for the upcoming event, and within an hour, we have a list full of ideas. Furthermore, I love that Ms. Cate always gives each of the teens opportunities to express some special talent or passion they have. For example, I love writing and taking notes, and I have been able to do this in TAB for the past two years by taking meeting minutes as the secretary.

If I were to describe TAB in two words, I would probably use the words FUN and THOUGHTFUL. When I look back on TAB meetings, one of the most poignant, recurring memories is that of laughter. I love that even if some of us have never met before, we can all come together and have such a fun time, while doing something meaningful. During every meeting we start with a book talk, where we go around and each talk about what book we are reading at the moment. I love watching how each person reacts when they hear the name of the book the person is reading. Some people are elated upon hearing the name, while others are surprised or confused, but we generally end with the consensus of laughter. I also use the word "thoughtful" to describe TAB for two reasons. First, I see TAB as a safe place because every person is given the chance to express their own opinion or ideas. Being a generally quiet person, I can sometimes succumb to the background; however, I love how we often go around the table each expressing our thoughts, because this gives each person a chance to express their opinion, even if it's just a few words. Secondly, I have noticed that most of our events are designed around the goal of making a difference in our community, whether this means spreading joy to other teens, or going out in the community to make a difference.

As I go off to college next year, I will truly miss my weekly chance to come to the library to go to TAB or help around the library. BCPL and TAB have helped me grow into a better person in so many ways from learning the value of collaboration to finding my passions for service. I am excited to see how TAB grows and changes in the coming years, and thank you to everyone that has made this wonderful group possible. I am so grateful to each and every person in the library community that has continued to be so supportive of my decisions, and I will never be able to thank this community enough for the amount it has and will continue to influence me.